



*Parks, Recreation and
Neighborhood Services*

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION

District 1— Daphna Woolfe
District 3— Adelina Del Real
District 5— Ernesto Bejarano
District 7— Trami Cron
District 9— Rudy Flores, Vice Chair
Citywide— Virginia Thomas

Sergio Jimenez, Chair —District 2
Barinder Ahluwalia—District 4
Demerris Brooks-Immel—District 6
Vacant—District 8
Brian Quint—District 10

Draft Minutes

Wednesday, November 04, 2015

5:30 p.m.

I. Call to Order & Orders of the Day

- Chair Jimenez called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm
- Moving items C&D to be heard before A, under New & Returning Business

II. Public Comment

(Members of the Public are invited to speak on any item that does not appear on today's Agenda and that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Parks and Recreation Commission - Speakers are limited to 2 minutes).

- Kirk Vartan spoke to allocation of capital funds being opposed for operation and maintenance at the last PRC meeting.

III. Announcements

- Thomas mentioned attending a free Parks and Recreation Commissioner and Board training held in Gilroy on Saturday, October 17, 2015.

IV. Consent Calendar

- A. Approve the Minutes of November 4, 2015
- B. Approve the Attendance Report
- C. Receive and File Correspondence to Commission
 - Minutes correction on page 4, updating the vote to reflect: 8-0-2 instead of 9-0-1 – there were two absences

Documents Filed: (1) Minutes of October 7, 2015. (2) Attendance Report for October 7, 2015.

Action: Upon motion by Commissioner Flores, seconded by Commissioner Ahluwalia and carried unanimously, the Commission minutes and attendance report were approved. (9-0-1. Abstention: Bejarano)

V. Reports

A. Chair;

B. Director; Mike Will reported on the following:

- San Jose Family Camp report to City Council is scheduled for February
- Kelley Park Master Plan meeting November 5th
- Golf Audit to be heard by the City Council on November 17th
- School District is taking back the land where Latimer Community Garden, in Council District 1, is located.

C. Council and Commission

1. Council Liaison; Michele Dexter – reported on the following:

- Almaden Quicksilver Park 41 acre parcel for sale for \$3M
- Nov 14th, Dave Fadness Memorial Beautification Day at Vista Park
- Guadalupe River Master Plan workshop #2 is being held on December 1st at the Gardner Community Center
- Almaden Lake Park has been adopted, leaving 8 of 22 to be adopted in district 10.

2. Senior Citizens Commission; None

3. Youth Commission; Jason Kim of District 9, reported on events and projects the Youth Commissioners are attending or are involved with.

D. Department Staff

1. Condition of Trees in Parks

Documents Filed: (1) Presentation providing an overview Our City Forest.
(2) Our City Forest event flyer.

Rhonda Berry, CEO, President, Our City Forest, provided an overview of the work Our City Forest provides to the community.

Commission discussion ensued.

Rhonda Berry and Mike Will responded to Commissioner questions.

2. San Jose Works Update

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Suzanne Wolf, dated October 19, 2015, introducing the item. (2) Presentation providing an overview of the Youth Jobs Initiative.

Suzanne Wolf, Deputy Director, PRNS introduced Isreal Canjura, Community Service Supervisor, PRNS, and the item, providing an overview of the Youth Jobs Initiative program.

Commission discussion ensued.

Suzanne Wolfe and Isreal Canjura responded to Commissioner questions.

VI. New & Returning Business

C. Other Power-Driven Mobility Devices

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum, with attachments, from Yves Zsutty, dated October 15, 2015, recommending to accept the enactment of the policy. (2) Other Power-Driven Mobility Devices policy.

Yves Zsutty, Trail Manager, PRNS provided an overview of the need for the policy and defined specifics in the policy.

Commission discussion ensued.

Yves Zsutty responded to Commissioner questions.

Action: Upon motion by Commissioner Quint, seconded by Commissioner Ahluwalia, the motion carried. The enactment of the policy was accepted. (9-0-1. Noes: Del Real)

D. Trails Strategic Plan & Annual Update

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum, with attachments, from Yves Zsutty, dated October 19, 2015, recommending to accept the update.

Yves Zsutty, Trail Manager, PRNS provided the Commission an overview of the trail system as it associates to the Green Print & Envision San Jose 2040.

Commission discussion ensued.

Yves Zsutty responded to Commissioner questions.

Action: Upon motion by Vice Chair Flores, seconded by Commissioner Cron, the motion carried. The report was accepted. (10-0)

A. Family Camp 2015 Season Results

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum from Steve Hammack, dated October 19, 2015, introducing the item and recommending acceptance of the update. (2) Presentation providing an overview of Family Camp at Yosemite.

Jena Sorrells, Parks Facility Supervisor, PRNS and Mike Will, Parks Manager, provided an overview of camp operations, upcoming meetings and the relationship with the United States Forest Service (USFS).

Commission discussion ensued.

Jena Sorrells responded to Commissioner questions.

Public Comments: Doris Livezey shared her support for Jena and the desire to keep camp operating.

Action: Upon motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Brooks-Immel, to accept the report, the motion failed. (5-5. Noes: Ahluwalia, Bejarano, Cron, Del Real, Flores)

Additional Commissioner discussion ensued

Jena Sorrells and Mike Will responded to additional Commissioner questions.

Action: Upon motion by Commissioner Quint, seconded by Commissioner Cron to accept the report and recommend the City Council consider a 5 to 10 year lease agreement, with renewable options, with the USFS, the motion passed. (6-4. Noes: Ahluwalia, Brooks-Immel, Thomas, Woolfe)

B. Naming of Tamien Park

Documents Filed: (1) Memorandum, with attachments, from Greg Meek, dated October 19, 2015, introducing the item and recommending approval of the name "Tamien Park."

Greg Meek, Senior Landscape Architect, PRNS, provided an overview of the park, policies and the park naming process.

Public Comments: Lorena Jung spoke in favor of the name Mari Castañeda Community Park. Mark Lopez also spoke in favor of the name Mari Castañeda Community Park.

Commission discussion ensued.

Greg Meek responded to Commissioner questions.

Action: Upon motion by Commissioner Bejarano, seconded by Commissioner Thomas, the motion carried. The report was accepted, approving the name of Tamien Park. (10-0)

E. 2015-16 Parks and Recreation Commission (PRC) Work Plan.

Documents Filed: (1) 2015 – 2016 Draft Work Plan for the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Mike Will, Parks Manager, PRNS, introduced the item and the following were discussed:

- Friends of Los Gatos Creek Park
- 880 Cities Park Tour & Visits

- Alternative Sports Fields in February
- Softball Fields
- Correspondence requesting a linear park
- Paying attention to park deficient areas
- Homeless report

Action: Commissioner Quint moved to accept the work plan, seconded by Commissioner Brooks-Immel. The motion carried unanimously, accepting the 2015-16 Parks and Recreation Commission Work Plan. (10-0)

VII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

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